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SUBJ: MARCOS AND ROMULO COMMENT PUBLICLY ON BASE NEGOTIATIONS

1. IN THE COURSE OF A TELEVISED "MEET THE PRESS" INTERVIEW MARCH 8, PRESIDENT MARCOS SAID THAT HE WAS IN FAVOR OF THE IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY ASPECTS OF THE BASE NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID THAT THE GOP HAS INSISTED "THAT OUR SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE BASES MUST BE RECOGNIZED, THAT THERE MUST BE A FILIPINO COMMANDER AND THAT THE PHILIPPINE FLAG MUST BE FLOWN INSIDE THE BASE." HE NOTED THAT PROPOSALS ARE PRESENTLY BEING PASSED BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, "AS TO WHEN THIS WILL BE FINISHED, IT WILL BE ANYBODY'S GUESS." MARCOS SAID HE WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF IMPLEMENTING THE ASPECTS OF SOVEREIGNTY IMMEDIATELY WHILE OTHER ASPECTS LIKE "COMPENSATION, JURISDICTION AND OTHERS" CAN BE SET ASIDE AND DECIDED LATER.

2. THE LOCAL PRESS REPORTS THAT LATER ON MARCH 8, FOREIGN SECRETARY ROMULO SAID IN THE COURSE OF A CAMPAIGN RELATED PRESS CONFERENCE THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOK UNCLASSIFIED

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MAY ARRIVE IN MANILA AHEAD OF VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE OR MAY JOIN THE VICE PRESIDENT'S PARTY TO FOLLOW UP ON BASE TALKS. ROMULO REPORTEDLY ALSO SAID THAT TWO OFFICIALS FROM THE U.S. DEPT OF DEFENSE ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN MANILA FOR CONSULTATIONS ON THE LIST OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT THE PHILIPPINES NEEDS FROM THE U.S.
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